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At the delivery of the PROTESTATION TO

the Lords of the upper House of Parliament, 4. May, 1641,

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The Speech of Master Holks Biquire.

He Knights, and Burgesses, of the house of Commons, having taken into confideration the prefent estate and condition of this Kingdome, they finde furrounded with variety of peinitious and definiory elignes; practiles an plots, against the wel-being or it, may, the very being of it, and forme of those defignes hatched within our owne bowels, and Viper-like work-

ing our ownedestruction.

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They finde Jeffits and Priefts conspiring with ill Ministers of State to destroy our religion, they finde ill Ministers conjoyned together to Subvertiour Lawes and liberties; they finde obstructions of justice, which is the life and blood of every effare, and having free paffage from the Soveraigne power, where it is primarily feated as the life and blood in the heart, and thence derived through the judicatories, or through so many veines into all the parts of this great Collective Body, doth give warmth and motion to every part and member which is nourifled and enlivened by it, but being once precluded, stopped, and reared up, as the particular must needs faint, and languish, fo must the whole frame of Government be diffolved.

And confequently, Soveraignty it felle which (as the heart in the body, yis primum vivene, & al: imum moriens. must die and perish in the generall dissolution, and all

things as in the beginning in antiquam Chaos.

My Lords, They finde the property of the Subject invaded and violated, his charge rent from him by illegall thing that is for the up of man not only upon superfluities, but necessaries and projects almost upon superfluities, but necessaries are the control the Vermine and Caterpillers of the components of the control the Children, and give it to Dogs.

My Lords, If the Commons finde these things, they conceive they must need bee ill Countels that have Thefe

brought us into this condition.

These Counsels have put all into a combustion, have discouraged the hearts of all true English men, and brought two Armies into our bowels, which is the Vulture upon Promethem, eates through, and sucks and gnawes our very hearts out. Hie Dolor, sed not Medicina?

Heretofore Parliaments were the Catholicall, the balme of Gilead, which healed our wounds, restored our

spirits, and made up the breaches of the Land.

But of late yeares they have been like the fig-tree in the Gospell, without efficacy, without fruit, only destrudive to their particular members, who discharged their duties and consciences, no way beneficiall to the Common-wealth. Nobis exitiale, nec Reipublica profuturum, As he faid in Tacitus, being taken away still as Elias was with a whirle-winde, never comming to any maturity, or to their naturall end, whereas they should be like the bleffed old man, who dyeth, plenus dierum, in a full age after he had fought a good fight, and overcome all his enemies, or as the shock of wheat, which commeth in due season to fill our Granaries with Corne, uphold our lives with the staffe of bread, for Parliaments are our panis quotidians, our true bread, all other waies are but Quelkachoes which yeeld no true nourishment, bread, nor good blood.

The very Parliament which hath fare so long, hath but beat the aire, and strive against the streame; I may truly say the winde and tide hath been still against us. The same ill Counsell which first raised the storme, and almost shipwrackt the Common-wealth, they still continue, they blow strong like the East winde that brought the Locusts over our Counsels, crosse our designes, cast dissiculties in our way, binder our proceedings, and make all that we doe to be fruitlesse and inessectuall: They make us not masters of our businesse, and so nor masters of mony, which have been the great businesse of this Parliament, that we might pay the Armies, accor-

ding to our promises and engagements.

For my Lords, our not effecting of the good things which

which we had undertaken, for the good of the Church, and of the Common wealth, but wounded our reportation, and taken off from our status.

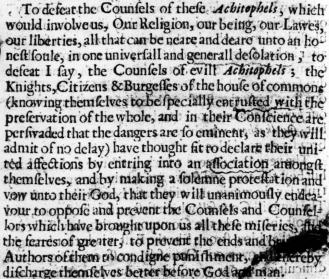
Is it not time then my seeds, that we should unite

Is it not time then means, that we should unite and concentrate our selves, in regard of this Antiperistafis, of hurtfull and malicious intentions and practices.

against us?

My Lords, it is most agreeable to nature, and I am sure most agreeable to reason, in respect of the present conjuncture of our affaires, for one maine engine by which our enemies worke our mischiese, is by insuling an opinion and beliese into the world, that we are not united among our selves. But like Sampsons Poxes, wee

draw severall waies, and tend to severall ends.



The Protection your Lordships that lieve read infliction your to you together with the ground and reasons which have induced the house of Commons to make it, which are prefixed before it by way of Preamble. Then the Protestation was read by M. Maynard.

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